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## Palmdale Woman Sentenced for Torture of Her Two Adopted Children

A Palmdale woman was sentenced today to seven years to life in state prison for abusing her two young adopted children, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Deputy District Attorney Theodore Swanson said Ingrid Ivenia Brewer (dob 3/4/62) pleaded no contest on Dec. 15, 2014 to two counts of torture in case MAo58453.

On Jan. 15, 2013, Brewer's two adopted children, who were 7 and 8 years old at the time, were found several blocks from their home, huddled under a car, late at night, scarcely dressed and in sub-freezing temperatures.

Investigators discovered that the two victims, who were covered in scars and blisters, were kept separated and sometimes bound with zipties in locked bedrooms and were afraid of returning to their adoptive mother, the prosecutor said.

The children had been beaten with hangers, electric cords, ropes and pipes and communicated through walls while Brewer went to work as a nurse's assistant at UCLA Medical Center, the prosecutor added.

The case was investigated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Last year, the <u>Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office</u> prosecuted more than 71,000 felony defendants and nearly 112,000 misdemeanor defendants.